



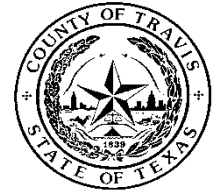
Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department

The role of public health is to:

PROMOTE community-wide wellness,

PREVENT disease, and

PROTECT the community from infectious diseases, environmental hazards, and epidemics



HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

HHSD - 1115 Waiver Projects

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1115 Waiver

- A waiver under section 1115 of Social Security Act that allows flexibility in designing programs delivering health services.
- Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment (DSRIP)
- Central Health is the Anchor for our region
 - 6 Counties
 - 76 Projects
- Health Department has 10 projects
 - 6 projects approved FY 13 (October 2012- September 2013)
 - 4 projects approved FY 14 (October 2013 – September 2014)

Community Diabetes

Project Goal: Improve diabetes self-management and diabetes prevention by offering the Diabetes Empowerment Education Program through the use of trained Community Health Workers

Target Population: African Americans and Hispanics with Diabetes

Potential to Earn: \$1,460,411

Earnings to Date: \$487,004

FY 2015 Budget: \$248,000

Annual Target: 140 individuals with Diabetes

Successes: Increase in Certified Community Health Workers
Partnership with Seton to follow-up on discharged patients

Notes: Subcontracts with El Buen Samaritano, Abundant Rain Christian Fellowship, Promotoras De Salud

Tobacco Cessation

Project Goal: Reduce tobacco use through an evidence-based comprehensive tobacco prevention and cessation intervention with unique advertising and street team marketing techniques to increase use of the Quitline or Text to Quit.

Target Population: 18 -24 year olds

Potential to Earn \$1,849,811

Earnings to Date: \$587,158

FY 2015: \$605,250

Annual Target: 150 individuals

Successes: Increase in the number of 18-24 year olds accessing tobacco cessation through Smokefree TXT intervention.

Notes: Target population focus groups tested key messages and media formats. Partnership with National Cancer Institute to utilize SmokefreeTXT intervention.

Maternal Infant Outreach Program (MIOP)

Project Goals: Improve birth and twelve month postnatal outcomes by increasing access to pre- and post-natal care and health literacy through the use of Community Health Workers.

Target Population: Pregnant and parenting African American women

Potential to Earn: \$1,846,472

Earnings to Date: \$776,696

FY 15 Budget: \$386,772

Annual Target: 100 individuals

Successes: Established a referral system with other DSRIP grantees and maternal and child health providers to ensure women are able to access services and receive on-going support.

Notes: Broader program partially funded through Department of State Health Services Grant.

Healthy Family Expansion

Project Goals: Improve families' access to preventive services including immunizations, well-child checks and developmental assessments by providing home visits and family support services.

Target Population: African American children and their families

Potential to Earn: \$1,133,499

Earnings to Date: \$447,492

FY 2015 Budget: \$250,000

Annual Target: 75 individuals

Successes: Working with the University of Texas School of Nursing to have nursing interns provide support and services to clients within the program.

Notes: Contract with Travis County Health and Human Services and Veterans Services

Immunizations for High Risk Adults

Project Goals: Decrease the prevalence of disease and death among high risk individuals by providing on-site immunization education and access to vaccines. Prevent the spread of disease and lower community health care costs.

Target Population: Clients of the department's Sexually Transmitted Disease clinic, Individuals on probation, in drug rehabilitation, struggling with substance use, mental illness and/or homelessness, and individuals that are HIV positive

Potential to Earn: \$4,593,419

Earnings to Date: \$2,015,835

FY 2015 Budget: \$230,500

Annual Target: 3658 encounters provided

Successes: Partnerships with 13 organizations.

Notes: State currently pays for the majority of the vaccines.

Intensive Services for Individuals in Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)

Project Goal: Assist individuals in achieving housing stability, connecting to a medical home and adhering to medications to avoid hospital readmissions, unnecessary use of the emergency department and involvement in the criminal justice system by providing an Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) team.

Target Population: Individuals who have experienced chronic homelessness, co-occurring psychiatric, substance abuse and/or chronic medical conditions and are in need of additional support systems.

| | <u>4-year Project (tri-morbid)</u> | <u>3-year Project (co-morbid)</u> |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Potential to Earn: | \$945,341 | \$3,002,659 |
| Earnings to Date: | \$329,340 | \$713,191 |
| Average Budget: | \$250,000 | \$1,176,000 |

Intensive Services for Individuals in Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)

Individuals Served: 55 new participants (Oct 1, 2014 – July 31, 2015)

- Recovered over \$83,000 in Medicaid eligible expenses for the programs so far this year

Successes: April 2015 data for 18 participants (6 mo prior & 6 mo post enroll)

- 74% reduction in Emergency Room visits
- 86% reduction in inpatient hospitalization
- 78% fewer EMS 911 dispatches

Notes: Contracts with Austin Travis County Integral Care and Foundation Communities for direct client services

Health Education to Address Teen Pregnancy

Project Goal: Decrease the prevalence of teen pregnancy among Latina females ages 15-19 through the use of an evidence-based Peer-To-Peer model

Target Population: Male and Female Latino youth ages 13 – 19

Potential to Earn: \$788,579

Earnings to Date: \$204,750

FY 2015 Budget: \$176,877

Annual Target: 500 youth

Successes: Partnerships with Austin and Del Valle Independent School Districts, Parks and Recreation Department and other community organizations.

Notes: This is a component of a larger project.

Workforce Development

Project Goal: Increase the number of qualified registered nurses that commit to work in medically underserved areas upon graduation.

Potential to Earn: \$855,292

Earnings to Date: \$217,773

FY 2015 Budget: \$184,917

Annual Target: 25 students

Successes: Austin Community College added staffing and courses to accommodate a new cohort of students.

Notes: Contract with Capital IDEA

Infectious Disease Management through Electronic Health Records

Project Goal: Implement new clinical protocols and integrate them into electronic medical records to increase efficiencies and decrease duplication of services related to infectious disease management.

Target Population: Patients at the Sexually Transmitted Disease clinic to assess risk for Tuberculosis

Potential to Earn: \$1,307,011

Earnings to Date: \$425,253

FY 2015 Budget: \$218,214

Annual Target: 6000 individuals

Successes: Developed and implemented new clinical protocols.

Notes: Partially funded by the Communications and Technology Management (CTM) Department

After September 30, 2016

- Waiver scheduled to end on September 30, 2016
- Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will submit a request to extend the 1115 Waiver to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) by September 30, 2015.

Questions?